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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR  
U.S. ARMY DEMINING MISSION

REF: A. COMSOC SOUTH 071600Z NOV 05

[1](#)B. 05 STATE 83724

[1](#)1. This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.

[1](#)2. Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check of the following Chilean candidate who has been nominated for U.S. sponsored training, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy.

[1](#)3. The proposed training is the U.S. Army Demining Mission, which will take place in Calama, Chile, August 15 through September 30, 2006. Chilean counterpart organization will be the Chilean National Humanitarian Demining Commission (COADES). The name and identifying information of CONADE's Director and Commanding Officer appears in the following format: Name, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.

a. Gunther Siebert Wendt, Chilean National Defense Staff, 02 Nov 1957, Santiago, 7069927-3

[1](#)4. Embassy is conducting its own review and has not found credible information that Seibert or CONADES has been involved in gross human rights violations.  
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